



ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

Stephen Seyler
BID Executive Security Director

SUMMARY FOR 12-5-16 THROUGH 12-31-16

This report takes us through week 52 of this year. Although down in most statistical categories, we are up by 164 calls for service over last year's record pace. In 2015 we had a total of 6081 calls while we ended this year with 6245 calls. The increase is entirely in the HBID. Our daily contacts with hostile and mentally unstable people have been an ongoing challenge during 2016.

Due to a variety of factors, we have found that there has been a steady decline in number of tools available to us for performing many of our duties. This includes new laws which lessens many former felony charges to misdemeanors and enforcement decisions made by the City Attorney's office. We are also waiting for the dust to settle on new rules governing the use of tents, homeless encampments and property. As a result of these challenges, we are working on new strategies for 2017.

During this year my staff and I attended in excess of 168 meetings with law enforcement, the business community and the homeless outreach community. This has allowed us to bond with and share much needed resources with groups and individuals that share our goal of improving the BID areas.

EVENTS OF INTEREST:

On 12-11-16, our officers were at the 7-11 store located at 1810 Cahuenga. They saw a customer having a problem with the ATM machine. On closer examination, they saw that someone had installed a fake cover over the part where you insert your card. The device would capture your card number when you inserted it. The device was turned over to the LAPD.

On 12-31-16, we responded to 1413 Vine street regarding a naked man in the bathroom refusing to leave. Our officers convinced that man to get dressed and leave the location.

HOSTILE ENCOUNTERS:

On 12-6-16, we responded to a call of a man causing a disturbance at the CVS Pharmacy located at 1747 Cahuenga. The man had left prior to our arrival. The manager said that the man is in his 50's and is clean and well dressed. He comes in regularly, makes several purchases and then tries to interact with other customers. He is very rude and frightens people. When asked to leave a person alone he goes into a profanity laced rage and threatens to kill people. The manager said he will not leave until the BID or LAPD is called. We will try to contact this troubled man.

On 12-12-16, we received a radio call of a man lying in an alcove at 6933 Hollywood Blvd. The man had a great deal of property and debris scattered about. Our officers spoke to him and he became angry and aggressive. He stood and started throwing punches and karate type kicks towards the officers. They tried to calm him and he slowly



ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

gathered up his property. He then tried to enter the mall at Hollywood and Highland. He was still screaming. The officers stopped him as this area is full of tourists and his behavior was very unstable. He then left the area.

On 12-13-16, we got a call of a man refusing to leave the W Hotel located at 6250 Hollywood Blvd. The security guard said that the man had been verbally abusive to customers both inside and outside of the hotel. Our officers contacted the twenty something transient named Tyrone. He spoke in riddles and made little sense. He finally left the area.

We then went to the Sunset Gower Studios. The guard said that a man had been at the location screaming for the last two hours. Our officers spoke to "Daniel", but had a hard time communicating with him. He started talking about his spiritual self and other bizarre topics. The officers did notice a marijuana pipe in Daniel's hand. He finally left the scene and got into a van a half a block away.

On 12-14-16, we received a call of a guard being punched in the stomach at 6724 Hollywood Blvd. The suspect left and went to the Pig and Whistle. We arrested the man and turned him over to the LAPD.

On 12-14-16, our officers were waking up 11 people who were sleeping on the sidewalk in the 1400 block of Vine. Some were blocking the sidewalk and some were on private property. All agreed to get up except one man who became extremely angry. He was mad because the officers woke him. He refused to get up and was finally arrested as he absolutely refused to comply.

On 12-17-16, our officers were driving on patrol when a man in a red BMV pulled up alongside them shouting profanities. He then sped away, ran through two stop signs, made a U-turn and then drove up behind our officers. He shouted more profanities and then sped off. The officers only guess for the man's anger was that they were driving rather slowly while on patrol.

On 12-18-16, we responded to a call of a man causing a disturbance at a Star Line Tours office at 6231 Hollywood Blvd. The employee (Mary) said that the man was yelling at her customers as they entered and exited the building. Our officers spoke to the man who was a transient sitting on the sidewalk. They told the man that he was scaring people and disrupting the business. He left.

On 12-19-16, we responded to a call from liquor store clerk George. He said a man had struck him at the store located at 6095 Sunset Blvd. The man (Ezekiel) was now refusing to leave. Our officers spoke to Ezekiel and he left, but then entered Roscoe's where he promptly caused another disturbance. He tried to spit on one of our officers and then went into a fighting stance. He clenched his fists and threatened the officers. He was clearly a danger and we called the LAPD who took him into custody.



ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

On 12-22-16, we received a call of a man causing a disturbance at the Center. Our officers arrived and found the man screaming at and threatening employees. The man (Charles) threatened our officers with a piece of metal. He said he would kill the officers and himself. Our officers were able to calm Charles and start a dialog. They got him some food and he left the location.

On 12-24-16, we found a man standing in the middle of the street at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. He was blocking a cab and screaming at the driver. The LAPD also arrived and contacted the man who became very confrontational. Our officers provided crowd control as the LAPD officers handled the man.

On 12-25-16, we responded to the Jack in the Box located at 6407 Sunset regarding a woman causing a disturbance. The woman had taken off her clothing and was jumping on tables exposing herself to the customers. When our offices spoke to her, she started screaming and then jumped over the front counter. The officers took control of the woman and had her sit. She rolled onto her back and started flopping around on the floor.

The woman appeared to be a danger to herself and others. We called the LAPD and paramedics who responded, placed a 5150 hold and then took her to the hospital for evaluation.

On 12-29-16, we received a call of a man refusing to leave the Toyota car lot located at 6000 Hollywood Blvd. Upon arrival we learned that the man had spit on an employee. The employee did not want to sign a Private Person Arrest form and only wanted us to convince the man to leave.

We then received another call of a woman refusing to leave the Jack in the Box located at 6407 Sunset Blvd. When our officers asked her to leave, she started screaming profanities and disrupting the entire business. She started running around the store in an effort to avoid out officers. They finally cornered her and escorted her out of the business.

On 12-30-16, we responded to a call of a subject throwing chairs inside the Jack in the Box located at 6407 Sunset Blvd. We contacted the extremely angry man and after some time convinced him to leave.

A short time later we were called to the YMCA at 1553 Schrader regarding another very agitated person. Upon arrival they found the man inside yelling at the top of his lungs. He too was convinced to move on.

The same team then responded to Lowes Hotel located at 1755 Highland as there was a man refusing to leave the bar. He too was extremely agitated. We assisted hotel security in escorting the man outside.



ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

These stories illustrate the desperate need for psychiatric assistance for many of the homeless people in the BID areas.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

- 1) 12-6-16 LAPD Crime Control
- 2) 12-6-16 Budget
- 3) 12-8-16 Top 14 Outreach
- 4) 12-8-16 H+H Retail
- 5) 12-12-16 Hollywood Forward Outreach
- 6) 12-13-16 SBID Board
- 7) 12-13-16 HHOT Outreach
- 8) 12-14-16 Joint BID Security
- 9) 12-14-16 LAPD Crime Control
- 10) 12-15-16 LAPD Security Issues (Lt. Ling)
- 11) 12-15-16 H+H Retail
- 12) 12-16-16 Buzz Feed Security Issues
- 13) 12-19-16 Salvation Army Security Issues
- 14) 12-21-16 Housing Works Outreach
- 15) 12-21-16 LAPD Crime Control
- 16) 12-22-16 H+H Retail
- 17) 12-28-16 LAPD Crime Control
- 18) 12-29-16 H+H Retail

OUTREACH:

During the heavy rains during this month, our officers passed out numerous rain ponchos to homeless people.

On 12-5-16, our early morning field Sgt. contacted six homeless people in the 6600 block of Selma. He gave them clean socks as our outreach worker gave information to the group.

Our officers then found a man down at Delongpre and Ivar. He was going in and out of consciousness. The officers called the LAPD and paramedics who responded and took the man to the hospital.

On 12-6-16, we received a call of a man refusing to leave the bathroom at the Buffalo Wild Wings located at 7060 Hollywood Blvd. Upon arrival our officers saw that the man was having a heroin overdose. They called paramedics who responded and took him to the hospital.

On 12-7-16, our outreach worker contacted "Natty Boy" and spoke to him about shelter and services. He also gave him a pair of socks.



ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

On 12-7-16, we received a call of a person refusing to leave the bathroom at the McDonalds located at 1413 Vine. Our officers ended up talking to two homeless people out front who were begging for food. The officers bought them a meal.

On 12-12-16, our outreach worker continued his outreach to the homeless Chris (Superman). He gave him a meal and discussed strategy for getting shelter for Chris who formally posed for photos in a Superman costume. His wife left him; he turned to drugs, lost his apartment and ended up sleeping on the street.

On 12-16-16, we found that Chris had been rained out of his tent. He was soaked and shivering. Our outreach worker took him to the Center for dry clothing. He was able to secure a spot in a shelter in Sylmar for Chris. He was also able to convince Chris to agree to go there. There is a shuttle going to the shelter, but it has proved unreliable. I then authorized our officers to drive Chris to the shelter.

On 12-15-16, our officers met the homeless Ashtyn at 6776 Hollywood Blvd. He is a new homeless person in the BID. He asked if we could get him a book to read. Our officers left, but came back later with two paperback books for Ashtyn. This was a rapport building effort and they also gave him outreach information.

On 12-23-16, our outreach team spoke to James who was shivering on the sidewalk at 7021 Hollywood Blvd. They talked to him about going into a shelter. They also gave him socks, pants and shirts. They also gave him directions to the shelter and bus fare to get there.

On 12-23-16, we contacted many homeless people who were caught in the rain. Some of the locations were 6430 Sunset, 6320 Sunset, 6300 Sunset, 1440 Vine and 1815 Cahuenga. We gave the people pastries and rain ponchos.

On 12-26-16, our outreach worker spoke to Shannon about entering shelter. He said he had started using meth again and wants rehab. Also spoke to HIV positive Eric. We arranged for both to go the Sylmar shelter. Both were given directions and money for transportation. Both had been reluctant to enter the shelter in the past. Our worker suggested they go together so they could look out for each other. They loved the idea.

On 12-29-16, our officers spoke to a man in the 6600 block of Hollywood Blvd. He said that he had been bitten by a spider. The wound had become infected and was badly swollen. He was given directions to the Saban Free clinic.

On 12-30-16, we received a call of a man blocking the sidewalk at 1620 Cahuenga. The officers felt that the man might be in some kind of medical distress and they called paramedics who responded and treated the man at the scene.



ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

ENFORCEMENT:

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 269 arrests. Seventeen were for drinking in public, 168 for alcohol referrals, 6 for urinating in public, 35 for trespass, 7 for battery, 10 for blocking the sidewalk, 5 for theft, 5 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 16 felonies. We also made 557 homeless referrals, assisted 66 agencies, provided 891 foot beat patrols for a total of 1429 hours, assisted 9509 citizens, handled 3689 radio calls for service and made 16248 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 118 arrests. Eleven were for drinking in public, 67 for alcohol referrals, 3 for urinating in public, 15 for trespass, 4 for battery, 10 for blocking the sidewalk, 2 for theft, 3 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 3 felonies. We also made 475 homeless referrals, assisted 34 agencies, provided 210 foot beat patrols for a total of 249 hours, assisted 5766 citizens, handled 2556 radio calls for service, and made 3309 business contacts.

The combined arrest totals for both BIDS are 387 arrests. Twenty eight for drinking in public, 235 for alcohol referrals, 9 for urinating in public, 50 for trespass, 11 for battery, 20 for blocking the sidewalk, 7 for theft, 8 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 19 felonies. We also made a combined total of 1032 homeless referrals, assisted 100 agencies, provided 1101 foot beat patrols for a total of 1678 hours, assisted 15275 citizens, handled 6245 radio calls for service, and made 19557 business contacts.

NOTED ARRESTS:

On 12-11-16, our officers found John drinking a 24 ounce Budweiser at 6100 Sunset Blvd. We also found Brian drinking at 6664 Hollywood Blvd. Yayco was drinking at 5900 Sunset and Eston was drinking Borski vodka at 6200 Sunset while Eddie was drinking Grey Goose vodka at 1123 Vine. John and Dwayne were drinking Four Loco Beer at 6060 Sunset. All were referred to the AA program at 1820 Las Palmas.

DEPLOYMENT:

During this period we worked from 6:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Monday through Saturday and 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on Sunday. This included officers in vehicles, bicycles, T3's and on foot.

TRAINING UPDATE:

During this period, our officers received live fire range training, legal update and defensive tactics.